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[Puerto Rico Video Clip](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CvOLT7fjQ3Q)

[10 Facts about Puerto Rico You Tube Video](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ma_eDmuSu3k)

[Puerto Rico Facts for Kids: Time](http://www.timeforkids.com/destination/puerto-rico)**\*(check out the links on the left when you arrive to this page)**



Bienvienidos a las mejores playas de Puerto Rico!

Welcome to Puerto Rico! I am so glad to have you learn more about my roots and where my family is from. Summers in Puerto Rico is a blast! In this last chapter you were briefly introduced to to a beach resort in Puerto Rico where you learned about beach vocabulary, including clothing and water sports vocabulary. While on vacation in Puerto Rico, you decide to visit all the famous beaches around the Island and where you also decide to take a few day trips to explore the island. Don't forget to visit the pristine beaches of the Islands of *Vieques* and *Culebras*, Puerto Rico’s “*Island Jewels*.” You will write postcards to your friends and family in Spanish about your experience visiting these places. Please look at the pictures and links and enjoy your trip!

**\*Click below and read:**

[**Virtual Trip Postcard Assignment**](https://docs.google.com/a/ashland.k12.ma.us/document/d/1kaV5HujH_qbbqhfg9Of_rP4pnfZpvLDmlzNXsoSM6Po/edit) ***&*** [***Rubric for Postcard Assignment***](http://srarousseau.wikispaces.com/file/view/Power+Point+Rubric.doc/276160468/Power%20Point%20Rubric.doc)



**The Best Puerto Rico Beach for Families :** [Luquillo Beach](http://www.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g147324-d148049-Reviews-Luquillo_Beach-El_Yunque_National_Forest_Puerto_Rico.html) & [Luquillo Beach You Tube Video](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jXudKSAiANU)

Situated 30 miles east of San Juan, this beach is a safe haven for local families and tourists alike. This section of beach has a coral reef perfectly situated that limits the rough oceans that are evident at some other beaches. As a result, the waters are usually calmer, clearer and better suited for small children. Picnic areas, which include changing rooms and showers, are easily located making Luquillo Beach family friendly. Its beauty is one reason why it is one of the most photographed beaches in Puerto Rico.



**The Best Puerto Rico Beach for Surfing :** [**Fun things to do at Rincon Beach**](http://www.surfrinconpr.com/fun-things-to-do.html)

Playa Higüero - Rincon's beach is famous for its winter surf that lasts from November to April, making it a surfer's dream destination. The beach has become such a fixture among surfers that it's been nicknamed "Little Malibu." This world-class surfing beach, and a former site of the world surfing championships, commonly experiences 16 foot breakers that will challenge any boarder.



**The Best Puerto Rico Beach for Swimming**

[Playa de Ponce](http://www.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g147323-d147958-Reviews-La_Guancha-Ponce_Puerto_Rico.html)  Puerto Rico's second largest city, Ponce, has one of the best beaches for swimming in the world. Located on the southern coast, the tide here is much calmer than the more turbulent northern beaches, which makes the Playa de Ponce an ideal beach for swimming. With the calmer waters, you can also expect clearer, easier to navigate tides.



**The Best Puerto Rico Beach for Getting Away**

Rosado Beach - This quiet little cove provides the ultimate place to escape the busier beaches of Puerto Rico. Just east of Cabo Rojo, access to Rosado Beach can be tricky to navigate, but once you journey there from your [Puerto Rico hotel](http://travel.aol.com/articles/puerto-rico-hotels), you'll be glad you did.



**The Best Puerto Rico Beach for Snorkeling** [**Playa Esperanza**](http://www.puertoricodaytrips.com/playa-esperanza/) **&** [**You Tube Video of Playa Esperanza**](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s5RD8X01WMo)

Playa Esperanza - Dip below the waves at Playa Esperanza and expect the underwater world to amaze you with its beauty and tranquil movements. Occasionally, a manatee or nurse shark may glide into view and you can appreciate the beauty of the antler coral that thrives along the ocean floor.

**More Beach links:** **Don’t forget to check out Puerto Rico’s two AMAZING Islands: Vieques Island and Culebra Island.**

[Vieques Island, Puerto Rico](http://www.vieques-island.com/) (check out these Pristine Beaches)

[Culebra Island:](http://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotel_Review-g580453-d317155-Reviews-Culebra_Beach_Villas-Culebra_Puerto_Rico.html) [Tripadvisor](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.tripadvisor.com%2FHotel_Review-g580453-d317155-Reviews-Culebra_Beach_Villas-Culebra_Puerto_Rico.html&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNEyzX8kj-QcCtnKuoS6fMgz37zxGw) or [Isla de Culebra](http://www.islaculebra.com/)

[The Best Beaches: Frommer's link](http://www.frommers.com/destinations/puertorico/0094020110.html)

[Puerto Rico's Hidden Beaches: Travel Channel](http://www.travelchannel.com/interests/beaches/articles/puerto-ricos-hidden-beaches)

**Beach Activity Links:**

[Scuba Diving Activities in Puerto Rico](http://www.lonelyplanet.com/puerto-rico/activities/scuba-diving?sort_dir=desc&sort_order=popular)

[Surfing in Puerto Rico and more water activities](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.lonelyplanet.com%2Fpuerto-rico%2Factivities%2Fsurfing%3Fsort_dir%3Ddesc%26sort_order%3Dpopular&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNHjsD7m7FVGY-vRbGc10Ujo9ezoBA)

**Fun Day Trips:**

[Day Trips in Puerto Rico](http://www.lonelyplanet.com/puerto-rico/activities/day-trips?sort_dir=desc&sort_order=popular)